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Dear Ms. Hanlon:

I believe that it is in the best interest of the United States that the site at Yucca Mountain, Nevada be designated the national repository for high-level radioactive waste and spent fuel.

Storing high-level radioactive waste at one location is a better option than continuing to store spent nuclear fuel at multiple sites around the country.

This issue has been debated for years and it is time to take appropriate action. The nuclear industry has had extensive experience in handling, storing and transporting spent nuclear fuel with an outstanding safety record.

The Yucca Mountain site has been determined to meet the geologic and technical criteria necessary to make this storage facility viable.

For these reasons, it is time for the Department of Energy to recommend to the President that the Yucca Mountain site be designated as the national repository for high-level radioactive waste and spent fuel.

Sincerely,

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